

"The Wall must be Built" - Nehemiah.

Virile - dynamic - Courageous - leadership -

{ CUP BEARER
WALL BUILDER
GOVERNOR }

Crisis - matched the man - Perils + problems -

upbearer - His character - honest - conscientious - devoted to duty -
sensitive to needs - unbending integrity - practical godliness -

Stricken with grief - fasting - mourning - prayer -
Conviction within that he must answer the prayer -

Lessons: 1. Godliness not incompatible with earthly success -

2. Use all influential positions for God - { Money
Position
Influence }
"Therefore glorify God in your body" -

3. Be concerned about the well being of God's people -

WM Carey - Wilfred Grenfell - 7 Nightingales - Cur
Sorrow of heart - persevering prayer - Sam Hall

Wall Builder - 7 Weeks -

Armed with Royal Authority -
Thrilled with the Lord's protecting arm -
Solemnized by the dangers - hazards - perils -

Lessons:

1. The deep self-denying concern - a man committed 100% -
Faithful - prayerful - burdened man - weep - wrestle -

2. The blending of practical organizing with intense
Spiritual devotion

→ Every person involved - Each nearest his own home

→ "We made our prayers unto God & set a watch vs them"

- Cromwell: "Trust in God & keep your powder dry"

Hazards

{ Three forms of OPPOSITION from without -
Three " " HINDRANCE " Within -

{ SCORN 4:1-6
FORCE 4:7-2
CRAFT 6:1 }

SCORN - 4:1-6 Derisive Sarcasm -

{ The supposed impossibility of the Undertaking
The bluntness of the personnel -
The unlikeliness that God would help

{ DEBRIS
FEAR
GREED }

- Nehemiah -
They were angry at God & His people -
They were utterly ignorant & lacked basis for understanding
They knew they had no ground to oppose Nehemiah -

How Nehemiah met the scorn of Sanballat -

He Kept on BUILDING & Kept on PRAYING -

→ "So built we the walls -- the people had a mind ^{was}

FORCE - Scorn gave place to force - Sneers became plots - 4:7 -

It was COMBINED - It was RABID - It was WILY
It was RUTHLESS -

Keep on PRAYING - Keep on WORKING - Keep on WATCHING - WAR

→ "We made our prayer unto God & set a watch vs them" -

"Stand up - Stand up for Jesus - ye Soldiers of the Cross" -

Pray unceasingly - Watching daily - Wielding the

Sword - Building the Wall -

DRAFT

1. Pretense - "Ono" - "I am doing a great work -- cannot come down
2. Bluff - (Charge lodged vs them with Emperor)

3. Intrigue - trap - conduct - gossip - compromise -
Sought to unnerve, discourage & compromise him

→ Keep on PRAYING - BUILDING - WATCHING - WALKING -

Hindrances from Within - DEBRIS - FEAR - GREED

1. Debris "much rubbish" "we are not able to build the walls" -
2. Fear paralyze them with fear -
3. greed Self seeking - hungry -

Nehemiah a courageous, sincere leader - Animosities
the Wall must be built! Time short! Keep at it!

Warring - Working - watching - Waiting -
Battling - Building -